

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 78

February 6, 2017

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes property owners to denote trespassing is prohibited with purple paint markers in lieu of posting signage. Establishes requirements for use of such purple paint markers. Prohibits a person from using a defense identified in Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-14-405(b) relative to a criminal trespass charge when the applicable property owner has denoted that trespassing is prohibited with purple paint markers.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Property owners will be responsible for costs associated with the purchase and use of purple paint to denote property barriers in lieu of signage.
- It is unknown how many property owners will elect to use purple paint markers in lieu of signage and if instances of criminal trespass on private property will increase or decrease as a result of this bill; however, any net change in fine revenue collected by local governments is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Krista M. Lee".

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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